

*MEETING SUMMARY*  
*MISSOURI ADVISORY COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE*

*November 5, 2003*

State Advisory Council Members Present:

Bob Matichek	Clif Johnson	Sally Gibson-deLaMotte
Kim Dude	Dan Duncan	Dr. Alan Reeves
Rhonda Wilkes	Scott Jordan	John Harper
Keith Spare	Luis Cordova	
Charles Megerman	Mona Perry	

State Advisory Council Members Absent:

Sheila Grigsby	LTDC William P. Johnson	James Rogers
Greg White	Peggy Quigg	Calvin Allen

Regional Advisory Council Chairpersons (Or Designees) Present:

Sherry Nelson - Central RAC  
Ron Griffin - Northwest RAC

Regional Advisory Council Chairpersons Absent:

Liz Squibb - Eastern RAC	Mary Duff - Southwest RAC
John Nimmo - Southeast RAC	

Division/Department Staff

Mark Stringer	Charles Williams	Chris Knigge
Angie Stuckenschneider	Carlton Martin	Tom Kimbro
Christine Squibb	Debra McBaine	Rosie Anderson-Harper
Al Myers		

Guests:

Gerrit DenHartog

AGENDA	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION	ACTION
Call to Order/Approval of Minutes	<p>Luis Cordova called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and noted that a quorum was present.</p> <p>Keith Spare moved that the minutes from the August 6, 2003 meeting be approved as written. Motion was seconded by Kim Dude, was voted on, and carried unanimously.</p>	
Reports from Ad Hoc Committees	<p><u>Communication</u> Sherry Nelson, Chair of the Communication Committee, reported that the group met via conference call. A summary of the committee's recommendations was distributed and are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The SAC and RACs should review and provide input on long range issues such as program quality, performance measures, needs of the region, etc.</li> <li>• The SAC and RACs should have the opportunity to provide input on future budget cycles.</li> <li>• The SAC and RACs should receive regular updates from the Division on budget decisions, legislative action, etc., even though there may not be the opportunity to provide direct input on those decisions due to time constraints. This can be accomplished through e-mail, fax, etc.</li> <li>• SAC minutes should be shared with all RAC members in a timely manner.</li> <li>• RAC minutes should be shared with SAC members in the region.</li> <li>• SAC members should try to attend RAC meetings in their region.</li> <li>• The State Advisory Council's priorities from the Missouri Summit on Alcohol and Other Drug Issues should be reviewed and a decision</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The committee recommended that the Division explore options for establishing a LISTSERV for all SAC and RAC members as a means for sharing information and communication.</li> </ul>

AGENDA	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION	ACTION
	<p>made on which, if any, of the recommendations should remain priorities for the SAC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conference calls for any SAC or RAC business can be arranged by Division of ADA staff at any time.</li> <li>• The SAC should develop a comprehensive State Plan for alcohol and drug abuse prevention and treatment services. The committee recommends that this be accomplished through an Ad Hoc committee, with representation from the RACs.</li> </ul> <p>Ms. Nelson reported that all requests from the SAC, RAC, Division, should be clear and specific and include a deadline. An <i>ADA/SAC/RAC Communication Map</i> was developed by the committee and shared with the Council (copy attached).</p> <p>A flow chart for the budget cycle was also shared with the Council which indicates that much of the work for the FY'05 budget is already in process. Hearings will begin in December. After the Governor's recommendations are presented in January, much debate takes place in the House and Senate before the budget is finalized in May.</p> <p><u>Advocacy Committee</u>  Dan Duncan provided the report in Calvin Allen's absence. He reported that the committee met via conference call and decided their first priority should be for all SAC and RAC members to make contact with their local legislators. Dan sent an e-mail reminder to all SAC members with some tips for arranging these appointments. He again emphasized</p>	

AGENDA	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION	ACTION
	<p>the importance in communicating with legislators about the critical need for substance abuse prevention and treatment services.</p> <p><u>Bylaw Committee</u> Peggy Quigg, Chair of this committee was absent, therefore, the report will be delayed until the February meeting.</p>	
Oxford House Policy	<p>Luis reported that he recently encountered a situation with a methadone client who was determined ineligible to reside in an Oxford House due to their policy in which they do not accept clients who are in methadone maintenance therapy. Luis conveyed his concerns about this issue to Division staff. Michael Couty contacted Paul Malloy, Director, Oxford House, Inc. Mr. Malloy indicated that this issue would be discussed at the Oxford House World Convention being held November 13-16, 2003. Convention participants will consider the possibility of utilizing Missouri as a pilot site for accepting methadone clients into Oxford House. Al Myers, Oxford House Coordinator for the Division of ADA, provided a brief overview of their policy about the use of medications by Oxford House residents.</p>	<p>A report from the Oxford House World Convention and their action on this issue will be provided to the Council at the February meeting.</p>
Division Report	<p>Mark Stringer provided an overview of the budget flow chart which was requested by the Communication Committee. He reported that the Division is currently responding to inquiries from budget staff in the Office of Administration and has participated in preliminary meetings with members of the House Budget Committee. The State's fiscal situation has not improved significantly over the past year, therefore, additional cuts and/or withholds to state agencies are likely. The Governor's Office and Budget Committees will be focusing on performance measures and outcomes during this budget cycle. The</p>	

AGENDA	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION	ACTION
	<p>Division of ADA has identified the following performance measures for FY'04:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decrease in arrests following successful treatment completion;</li> <li>• Number of drug-free births to women in CSTAR programs</li> <li>• Percentage of SATOP graduates that do not commit repeat drunk driving offenses</li> <li>• Current (past 30 days) use of alcohol by 10<sup>th</sup> grade students</li> <li>• Current (past 30 days) use of marijuana by 10<sup>th</sup> grade students</li> </ul> <p>Division of ADA staff will receive training on the development of performance measures in late November through technical assistance from the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment.</p> <p>Public testimony is usually held in December or January, and Council members will be notified of the date as soon as the Division receives this information from House staff.</p> <p>Gerrit DenHartog, ACT Missouri, provided an overview of the legislative process.</p>	
Cultural Competency Plan	<p>Derrick Willis provided an overview of the Department's Multicultural Competence Plan and distributed the goals and objectives of the Plan. The entire plan is available on the Department's website at <a href="http://www.modmh.gov">www.modmh.gov</a>. Derrick explained that various Work Teams have been established to develop implementation plans for each of the goals. Each work plan will include a training component.</p> <p>Mona Perry mentioned that there are 60,000 Native</p>	

AGENDA	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION	ACTION
	<p>Americans in Missouri and this needs to be recognized.</p> <p>Keith Spare stated that religion and the needs of gays and lesbians should also be kept in mind as the Department moves forward with the Plan. Diversity training should include this also.</p> <p>Sherry Nelson stated that rural vs. urban issues also need to be considered.</p> <p>Derrick stated that the Department is aware of the training needs as it relates to the Plan and is trying to incorporate this into any DMH training that takes place. He is working with Debbie McBaine to incorporate a variety of sessions into next year's Spring Training Institute.</p> <p>Charles Megerman asked what the Department is doing to make the Plan fiscally sound. Derrick stated that he is exploring various grants and funding options. Funding will be a key issue as to how far the Department will be able to proceed with the Plan.</p> <p>Sally Gibson-dela Motte encouraged Derrick to find out the specific needs of the community before training is conducted, as that will vary from place to place.</p> <p>A question was also raised as to how the Department would measure its progress and success in implementation of the Plan. Derrick stated they will be looking at training and specific outcomes they want to see as a result. This will be an ongoing process.</p>	

AGENDA	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION	ACTION
	Luis stated that this process should be ongoing with the Council having an opportunity to provide regular input. As Implementation Plans and other documents are prepared by the Cultural Competency Committee, those should be shared with Council members.	
Affirmative Action Plan	Mark Stringer provided a report from the Department of Mental Health's Central Office Affirmative Action Committee. Their first task is to determine the level of minority representation in the DMH workforce and what is a reasonable target? He shared preliminary figures indicating diversity rankings by Division. In view of the Department's increasingly limited resources, Mark stressed an even greater importance for hiring and retaining qualified, competent staff.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final Affirmative Action Plan will be presented to the Council at a future meeting.</li> </ul>
Performance Measures and State Planning	<p>Mark Stringer presented an overview of the Performance Partnership Grant requirements that are anticipated for the federal block grant beginning in federal fiscal year 2005. Those performance measurements will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase in employment following successful completion of treatment</li> <li>• Rate of reincarceration within the first year of release for offenders with known substance abuse problems that have successfully completed treatment</li> <li>• Number of children returned to parental custody as a result of their mother's participation in specialized CSTAR programs</li> <li>• Rate of noncompliance with laws prohibiting tobacco sales to minors</li> <li>• Average decrease in days drinking or using drugs following successful completion of substance abuse treatment.</li> </ul> <p>In view of the emphasis on performance measurement</p>	

AGENDA	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION	ACTION
	<p>at both the state and federal level, Mr. Stringer explained there would be various ways in which the State Advisory Council could provide input and assistance to the Division that ties directly to their statutory mission as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dissemination of public information about selected, <i>critical performance measures</i></li> <li>• Recommend improvements to ADA prevention and treatment programs based upon scientific evidence <i>in order to improve outcomes on critical measures</i></li> <li>• Recommend what should be changed, and how, to improve and upgrade the ADA system <i>in order to improve outcomes on critical measures</i></li> <li>• Participate in developing standards for prevention and treatment services that <i>improve outcomes on critical measures</i>.</li> </ul> <p>It was proposed that the State Advisory Council develop a State Plan for FY 2005 that would include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How information will be disseminated, to whom, and by whom, about selected critical measures</li> <li>• What improvements can be made to prevention and treatment programs in order to improve outcomes on critical measures</li> <li>• What should be changed, and how, to improve and update the system in order to improve outcomes on critical measures</li> <li>• What standards for prevention and treatment should be developed or revised that would improve outcomes on critical measures.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The State Plan proposal will be sent to all SAC members for further review and a decision on how to proceed will be made at the February meeting. Question that need to be addressed include: 1) how will the State Plan be developed; 2) when should it be ready for submission to the Division; 3) how will the State Plan be monitored and evaluated?</li> </ul>
Grant Update	Charles Williams provided an update on recent grant awards which are managed by the Prevention Section:	



AGENDA	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION	ACTION
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws Discretionary Program: Community Trials Initiative is a three-year grant for \$960,000 that will be implemented in seven communities; seven communities will serve as control sites. All sites will be determined by the national evaluators.</li> <li>State Incentive Planning and Development Cooperative Agreement (Governor's Substance Abuse Prevention Initiative) is a one-year award for \$454,196. Various state agencies will be convened to develop a state strategic plan for substance abuse prevention and increased coordination of prevention planning across state agencies.</li> <li>Missouri Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Rural Awareness and Prevention Project is a grant from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention to the Department of Health and Senior Services for \$2.1 million and \$310,300 to the Department of Mental Health over five years.</li> </ul>	
Regional Advisory Council Reports	<p><u>Northwest Region</u> Ron Griffen reported that Karia Basta attended their October meeting to provide input and assistance on housing issues in the region. A schedule of Quarterly Regional Housing Meetings was included in the Council packet.</p> <p><u>Eastern Region</u> Barbara Keehn, District Administrator, will attend the next RAC meeting to provide an update on the Division's restructuring model for primary recovery programs.</p> <p><u>Southeast Region</u> The RAC is currently in the process of recruiting</p>	

AGENDA	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION	ACTION
	<p>members. Members also had questions about the restructuring model which will be clarified at their next meeting.</p> <p><u>Southwest Region</u></p> <p>They are in the process of recruiting members and developing a meeting format that encourages participation. Two issues they will be addressing at future meetings are methamphetamine use and fetal alcohol syndrome.</p>	
Legislative Contacts	<p>Council members who made contact with their local legislators provided information about their discussions. Scott Jordan met with Representative Kevin Engler who indicated that additional cuts to DMH were likely. Dan Duncan made contact with Representative Matt Muckler, Senator Joan Bray, and Senator Rita Days. He emphasized the need to protect funding for DMH and the critical services provided. Keith Spare made contact with Senator Charles Wheeler and Clif Johnson reported that he spoke with five legislators in his area.</p> <p>Dan Duncan encouraged SAC and RAC members to continue to make contact with their legislators.</p>	
Adjournment	There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.	
Next Meeting	The next State Advisory Council meeting will be held February 4 in Jefferson City.	